INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1550

DATE: September 9, 2015

TO: Iowa Medicaid Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Providers,

Targeted Case Managers, Case Managers, Service Workers, and

Integrated Health Home (IHH) Care Coordinators

FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS), Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: HCBS Waiver and Nursing Facility Level of Care (LOC) Review Process

Webinar

The IME Medical Services Unit and DHS Policy staff will conduct a webinar regarding the HCBS Waiver and Nursing Facility LOC review process. This process involves the following waivers: AIDS/HIV, Elderly, Health and Disability and Physical Disability.

This webinar will be conducted on Thursday, September 17, 2015, from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM and will cover the following topics:

- The purpose of an HCBS waiver program
- Nursing facility (NF)/Intermediate Care Facility (ICF), and Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) level of care requirements
- Information necessary for the IME Medical Services Unit to determine LOC
- IME Medical Services Unit process for requesting additional information
- Revised LOC Certification for HCBS Waiver Program, form 470-4392
- The DHS Medicaid benefit extension period for members no longer meeting NF/ICF LOC
- The IME Medical Services Unit resource coordination process with case managers and service workers for members no longer meeting NF/ICF LOC

Register now for the webinar¹.

The webinar will be recorded and a frequently asked questions (FAQ) document will be developed based on questions received. The recorded webinar and FAQ document will be posted on the DHS website at a later date.

Questions about this letter should be directed to the IME Medical Services Long Term Care team at imeltc@dhs.state.ia.us.

¹ https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8143512349484222978